

**First United Methodist Church**

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# **Circuit Rider**



**March/  
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2012**

March 2012

Happy Spring! (almost...)

The calendar says that Spring is approaching. The calendar also tells us that we are in the season of Lent. It's the season of the church year in which we prepare for the coming of Easter.

Lent is typically a time of reflection and preparation for what is to come. Before we truly celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, we must remember what lead up to that event. During this season, that's what we are going to do.

On Wednesday evenings from 6:30–7:30 pm, we will be gathering together for our Lenten study of the book *24 Hours That Changed The World*, by Rev. Adam Hamilton. (Soup and salad supper from 6:00-6:30 pm each Wednesday)

Each week, we will take a look at one of the events in the last 24 hours of Jesus' earthly life that led up to his crucifixion and death on the cross and then culminated in the celebration of Jesus' resurrection on Easter morning.

On Sunday mornings, we will be exploring these stories in depth.

I hope that you'll plan to be with us from now through Easter on both Sundays and Wednesdays as we explore the significance of these Biblical events in our Christian lives. (Please note the entire schedule of what's happening throughout Lent, later in this newsletter.)

On another note, over the next few weeks, you will be receiving a nametag printed with your name. I hope that you will make an effort to wear this nametag during worship and at other church events. Did you know that not everyone here knows your name? They may see you every week, but not remember your name. Maybe you are the same way. There might be people you see every week, but you don't know their names, either.

Part of being a welcoming congregation is helping others to know who we are. I hope that you will help us to be welcoming of others and helpful to each other, by wearing your nametag. You can take it home with you each week, store it in your car, your coat, your purse...or you can leave it here on the special nametag rack that is currently being constructed just to store nametags on. These nametags have been made possible by generous donations that have been made to the Memorials fund.

I look forward to walking this Lenten journey with you over these next two months.

Blessings to you,

Pastor Kirsten

January 5, 2012

Dear Friends and Brethren of the Methodist Church of Fort Lupton,

Greetings in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ! Thank you so much for the very generous gift of \$1340! We are so very thankful for your kind support and for your prayers! Though things are going well right now, there is always a battle because we are not doing the devil's will! But we have the victory in the Name and power of Jesus!

We've had 28 children all along until the first of this year when several have been relegated to their families. In some cases, it is for the summer vacation and in others it is supposed to be permanent. We now have sixteen but in the summer activities we have the children of some of the personnel take part so we always have plentiful children!

God has been good to us and we are able to build a new part that contains a playroom, store room for outside toys and a doctor's office for examinations. We are in that process now.

The church is doing well but since New Year's Day fell on Sunday and Argentines are so family oriented, we had few in attendance but even so had a beautiful service with some visitors from the City of Mendoza.

Our granddaughter is getting married on our wedding anniversary! (55<sup>th</sup>) We would very much like to be there (Wichita, Kansas). In such case we will plan to visit Fort Lupton as well and will surely attend a Sunday Service.

May God bless you all richly for your generosity and according to His generosity.

In the bonds of Jesus our Lord,

Bob and Bettye Paden

## Thank Yous

Goldie Nelson – I really enjoyed the Christmas caroling and the delicious homemade cookies. I feel very humble. How thoughtful the church is in remembering me.



Jim & Mary Kopfman – To everyone who helped fill and deliver the goodie tins for the shut-in, thank you so much. It was wonderful and we really enjoyed it. God be with you for spreading His love.

Edna Payne – To My Church Family, Thank you all for the goodies and nice things you do for me. Especially thank you for taking the time to visit with me.

Marti Jordan – Thank you all so much for the nice Thanksgiving basket. It is much appreciated.



The Trustees are looking for information about some of the things around the church and their use. The items include the chalk

boards that are in storage, the ping pong table, the Volleyball net, the dry erase boards in storage, the pianos (3rd floor and Basement) and the softball equipment. We would appreciate any information on these items. Please contact Tracy DeBerg or any of the Trustees if you can give some background or frequency of use about them.

### Mark Your Calendars

Spring Cleaning for the inside of the church will be April; 21<sup>st</sup>. More information to come at a later date.

## United Methodist Women

The United Methodist Women had a good year. We have an awesome church. Without your help we would not be able to do all that we do.

We will be making some changes to the Turkey Dinner to make it run smoother. We keep improving every year but there is still more that needs to be done. Without your help we would not be able to keep it going. This is our major fundraiser and allows us to do our mission work.

One of our projects this year is to replace the windows in the kitchen. This should help to keep the cold, heat and dirt out.

Keep your calendars open. Our Spring Brunch will be on April 14th, the Saturday after Easter. All are invited to come. We will have delicious food. We are still working on the entertainment and will let you know at a later date.

Neena Hagans  
Incoming UMW President

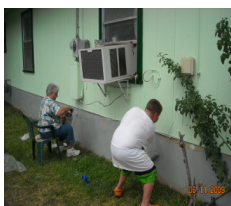


**Daylight Savings  
Is March 11th  
Don't forget to move  
your clocks forward!**



Have you always wanted to go on a short term  
**MISSION TRIP?**

**6 days. Now is your chance from July 8<sup>th</sup> – July 14<sup>th</sup>**  
**Plans are under way for a mission trip right here in Colorado.**  
**It is to the Towaco Indian reservation at 4 Corners.**



**Do you like to paint?**



**How about teaching Bible fun?**

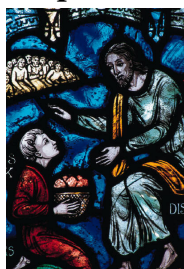


**Or maybe helping set up an irrigation system in the desert?**

**Your opportunity is coming this summer.**



*“The purpose of a short term mission says Mansie (president of EPIC (Embracing People in Christ), is to allow the team member to experience what it means to put their faith in action and actively show the love of Jesus Christ in a way that changes the team members heart and the souls that are ministered to. We want to see hearts changed so much; the team member will desire to keep missions alive in their own church, college or neighborhood upon their return home.*



**Woo!! Hoo!! Get your Bible, paint brushes and shovels and let's get started raising enough money to make the trip. Ask your mission team for more details.**

Sue Hubert, Claire Kokoska, Joyce Acre, Pastor Kirsten & Gwen Ceretto



## Missions 2012

### Mission Projects:



The First United Methodist Church of Fort Lupton is committed to mission work which we see as an opportunity to demonstrate our love for one another and our faith in the love of Jesus Christ, throughout the year, we sponsor special projects that allow each church member, however young or limited in resources to share their gifts with our community and our world. If you have time, talent or treasure to share, please consider the following mission opportunities or let us know of your ideas to bring God's message of hope and caring to those in need.



Our missions this year are:

Jan: UMCOR

Feb: Human Relations

March: Missions General

April: Great Commission Mission

May: Native American Ministry

June: Missions General

July: Paden's

August: Kiva

Sept: Ministerial Alliance

Oct: Samaritans Shoe Box

Nov: Students Day

Dec: Food Bank

Along with that, we support by prayer or donations: Clothing, Food, Bedding, Time, and space, Open Arms Pregnancy Center, Blessings in a Back Pack Program, Blood Drives, Thanksgiving Baskets, and Christmas Angel Tree, Meals on Wheels, Adventures in Christian Living, Christmas Caroling, Bible School Helpers, all these and more are spreading the word of God.



Donations for last year were over \$5000.00. Great job! God Bless each one of you.

The Mission Field is out our very door. Sue Hubert



### LENTEN SCHEDULE

You are invited to join us for any and all! Come and bring a friend!

Wednesdays, February 29 – April 11, 2012

6:00 – 6:30 pm Soup and Salad Supper – Fireside Room

6:30 – 7:30 pm Lenten Study of 24 Hours That Changed the World – Fireside Room

Sunday, April 1, 2012 – PALM SUNDAY

9:00 am Worship – Children will process with palm branches and the adult choir will sing

Thursday, April 5, 2012 – MAUNDY THURSDAY

7:00 pm Maundy Thursday worship service with communion

Friday, April 6 – GOOD FRIDAY

11 am – 1 pm Sanctuary open for prayer and communion

Sunday, April 8 – EASTER

6:15 am Sunrise Worship Service at “The Fort”

On CR 14 ½ just west of Highway 85

Breakfast provide by South Platte Historical Society - \$5 adults & \$3 for children

9:00 am Easter Worship in Sanctuary – Adult and Children's Choirs will be singing.

**March Birthdays**

1 Chris Cummins  
1 Don Rosenbrock  
3 Lindsey Woodruff  
4 Carri Edgar  
4 Susan Francis  
4 Kacey Payne  
4 Tina Powell  
4 Robyn Rhoades  
6 Bella Schroeder  
7 Ricky Bucher  
7 Irene Latham  
10 Francesca DeBerg  
11 Jocelyn Hostetter  
12 Arnie Hubert  
13 Tisha Larson  
15 Aydin Nunez  
16 Gloria Norton  
17 Mary Martin  
17 Kathy Bucher  
17 Pat Terry  
20 Sandee Saar  
21 Janeene (Dickinson) Brown  
21 Kristyn (Wamsley) Clark  
22 George Breickler  
22 Angie Larson-Campbell  
22 SuzAnn McCrumb  
24 Gary Johnston  
24 Vicki Wamsley  
27 Sammie Bucher  
27 Jacob McCartney  
27 Austin Hatchell  
28 Dale Boss  
28 Barb Floodeen  
28 Dave Bissell  
28 Sherrie O'Neil  
29 Jon G. Frazier  
29 Roland Purifoy  
30 Tyler Duncan  
31 Clay Semroska  
31 Ava Tijerina

**March Anniversaries**

8 Jerry and Kathy Olson  
10 Darrel and SuzAnn McCrumb  
10 Tracy & Suzan DeBerg

18 Mike & Michelle Bettger

**April Birthdays**

1 Colleen Frizzell  
1 Michelle Gross  
1 Alan Sandberg  
3 Gene Edgar  
4 Jessica Taylor  
7 Suzan DeBerg  
9 Madison Hood  
9 Megan Hood  
10 Angela Standeford  
11 Twila Cullum  
12 Robert Kerr  
12 Kristy Lee  
15 Alice Easterday  
15 Krystin Floodeen  
15 Joe Caldwell  
16 Jan Brown  
16 Mike Hayden  
16 Kathy Pope  
17 Zayden Larson  
17 Lorna Young  
18 Terri Ryan  
18 Ginny Woodruff  
23 Karissa Hatchell  
24 Teddy Duarte  
24 Kathy Olson  
26 Judy Ceretto  
26 Jamie Pelis  
27 Cheryl Patterson  
28 Lorra Floodeen  
28 Jennifer Gordon-Norby  
29 Jeffrey Kerr

**April Anniversaries**

7 Ron and Jan Brown  
7 Jim & Vada Roedel  
17 Larry & Sharon Fehr  
19 Mike & Laura Hayden  
22 Glenn and Donna Gaul  
22 Bob and Kathy Payne  
24 Troy & Jennifer Norby  
29 Sean & Janeene (Dickinson) Brown

## March 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> World Day of Prayer	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Sunday</b> <b>Worship</b> <b>10:45am</b> <b>Sunday</b> <b>School</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> <b>3:30pm CLC</b> <b>6:00pm Lenten</b> <b>Soup &amp; Salad</b> <b>6:30pm Lenten</b> <b>Study</b> <b>7:30pm Choir</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Sunday</b> <b>Worship</b> <b>10:45am</b> <b>Sunday</b> <b>School</b>	<b>12</b> <b>7:00pm</b> <b>Foxy</b> <b>Quilters</b>	<b>13</b> <b>7:30pm</b> <b>Board of</b> <b>Trustee</b>	<b>14</b> <b>3:30pm CLC</b> <b>6:00pm Lenten</b> <b>Soup &amp; Salad</b> <b>6:30pm Lenten</b> <b>Study</b> <b>7:30pm Choir</b>	<b>15</b> <b>7:00pm</b> <b>Finance</b> <b>Meeting</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Sunday</b> <b>Worship</b> <b>10:45am</b> <b>Sunday</b> <b>School</b>	<b>19</b> <b>6:30pm</b> <b>Many</b> <b>Blessings</b> <b>07:00pm</b> <b>Mary</b> <b>Circle</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> <b>1:15pm Lunch</b> <b>Bunch</b> <b>3:30pm CLC</b> <b>6:00pm Lenten</b> <b>Soup &amp; Salad</b> <b>6:30pm Lenten</b> <b>Study</b> <b>7:30pm Choir</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Sunday</b> <b>Worship</b> <b>10:45am</b> <b>Sunday</b> <b>School</b>	<b>26</b> <b>5:30pm</b> <b>Spark</b> <b>People</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> <b>6:00pm Lenten</b> <b>Soup &amp; Salad</b> <b>6:30pm Lenten</b> <b>Study</b> <b>7:30pm Choir</b> <b>8:00pm Worship</b> <b>Planning</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>

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## April 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Confirmation</b> <b>Sunday</b> <b>09:00am</b> <b>Sunday</b> <b>Worship</b> <b>10:45am</b> <b>Sunday</b> <b>School</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> <b>7:00pm</b> <b>SPRC</b>	<b>4</b> <b>3:30pm CLC</b> <b>6:00pm</b> <b>Lenten Soup &amp;</b> <b>Salad</b> <b>Lenten Study</b> <b>06:30pm</b> <b>Youth</b> <b>7:30pm Choir</b>	<b>5</b> <b>7:00pm</b> <b>Maundy</b> <b>Thursday</b> <b>Service</b>	<b>6</b> <b>11:00 am –</b> <b>1:00 pm</b> <b>Good Friday</b> <b>Communion</b> <b>&amp; Time of</b> <b>Personal</b> <b>Reflection</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> <b>6:15 am</b> <b>Sunrise Service</b> <b>@ “The Fort”</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Sunday</b> <b>Worship</b>	<b>9</b> <b>Office</b> <b>Closed</b>  <b>7:00pm</b> <b>Foxy</b> <b>Quilters</b>	<b>10</b> <b>7:30pm</b> <b>Trustees</b> <b>Meeting</b>	<b>11</b> <b>3:30pm CLC</b> <b>5:55pm Worship</b> <b>Band</b> <b>6:00pm Lenten</b> <b>Soup &amp; S ...</b> <b>Lenten Study</b> <b>6:30pm Youth</b> <b>7:30pm Choir</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> <b>9:30am</b> <b>UMW</b> <b>Spring</b> <b>Brunch</b>
<b>15</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>Sunday</b> <b>Worship</b> <b>10:45am</b> <b>Sunday</b> <b>School</b>	<b>16</b> <b>6:30pm</b> <b>Many</b> <b>Blessings</b> <b>7:00pm</b> <b>Mary</b> <b>Circle</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> <b>1:15pm Lunch</b> <b>Bunch</b> <b>3:30pm CLC</b> <b>5:55pm Worship</b> <b>Band</b> <b>6:30pm Youth</b> <b>7:00pm Choir</b> <b>8:00pm Worship</b> <b>Planning.</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> <b>5:00 – 7:00</b> <b>pm Food</b> <b>Bank</b> <b>Spaghetti</b> <b>Dinner</b>	<b>21</b>
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